

Call for youngsters with a passion for IT

KHANYISA Real Systems (KRS) has announced the launch of its "Upgrade Yourself" skills development programme in answer to South Africa's skills shortage in the ICT arena and has begun its call for applicants passionate about a career in IT.

The focus of the programme, which kicks off in July, is to skill real-world marketable developers who graduate with an internationally-recognised Microsoft qualification, enabling them to take their first employable step on the IT developer career ladder.

Based onsite at KRS, the Upgrade Yourself programme draws on the company's 20 years of experience and combines the hottest technical skills with a solid platform of work experience.

"We are employing a five-I approach," says Steve Randles, MD of KRS.

"Instructor-led, intensive, interactive, internal and internship, meaning, the course will model the real-world business environment with experienced project leaders, providing lectures and mentoring. There will also be regular opportunity for interaction between students as they work in teams on actual client projects."

The first half of the one-year Upgrade Yourself

programme builds a foundation of Microsoft .Net programming and database skills focused on Microsoft C# and Microsoft SQL Server. This is reinforced with practical exercises followed by a six-month internship with KRS as part of a software project team.

"The course will teach business acumen, such as time management and basic accounting, which form an important component of any business.

"Over and above the training and work experience, students will also learn about accuracy, quality, completing projects to set deadlines, teamwork, consistency, dealing with constructive feedback, sometimes dealing with failure, and making changes to meet client or management expectations."

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